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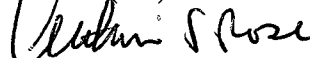
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For : SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTED FILE
SYSTEM UTILIZING METADATA
TO TRACK INFORMATION ABOUT
DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE
SYSTEM
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Amendment and Response to Office Action Dated October 12, 2007**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2007, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 12 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.